SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 301

By Lundberg

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Marie Taylor, Kingsport City Schools Grades Pre-K-4 Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest-quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Marie Taylor is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Taylor has been selected as the 2022–2023 Grades Pre-K-4 Teacher of the Year for Kingsport City Schools, a most befitting honor that recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a second-grade teacher at Johnson Elementary School, Marie Taylor is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Taylor has taught first and second grades during her five-year teaching career at Johnson Elementary School and has served as coach of the LEGO League, Jr. team, yearbook representative, coach for Girls on the Run, Kingsport Academy Teacher mentor, and Morning Message content creator; she is also a member of the Lighthouse team for Leader in Me; and

WHEREAS, she earned her bachelor's degree in early childhood development from East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Marie Taylor serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Taylor truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF

REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Marie Taylor on

being chosen as the 2022–2023 Grades Pre-K-4 Teacher of the Year for Kingsport City

Schools, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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